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1. The following is in reply to your request for additional data to be included in the evaluation comments of the subject report.

2. (Ref. para. 2) Source reports that the four-wheel single axle semi-trailers, called "Lafet," was produced for 5,000-kg. missiles. This is the first firm reporting of dual wheel (single axle) carrier-erectors having this configuration or weight capacity. Source is requested to prepare mechanical drawings (including plan and profile) of this equipment and give the following details:

- (a) Size and shape of metal used in the construction of carrier chassis and framework.
- (b) Dimension of carrier (width, length and height).
- (c) Fabrication fastening (welded, bolted and/or riveted).
- (d) Mechanical equipment (type, size and position).
- (e) Axle location.
- (f) Painting (color and pattern)

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3. (Ref. para. 5) Source reports that the finished trailers were canvas-covered and shipped from Saratov on railroad flatcars. Were the flatcars specially designed to handle the missile carrier-erectors? Describe the flatcar. How many trailers were loaded

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on each flatcar and how many cars were shipped at a time? Was the canvas cover tailored to fit the carrier or was a mere tarpaulin cover? What was the color of the canvas? Have source prepare silhouette of covered trailer.

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